

# Detectors in Nuclear and Particle Physics

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# 1. Introduction

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- Beams
- General demands on particle detectors

# Introduction I

- Progress in nuclear and particle physics mainly driven by experimental observation
- Critically coupled with the development of new methods in particle acceleration and detection of particles
- Historical development:
  - 1896 Discovery of X-rays w. photographic plate  
(Nobel prize W.C. Röntgen 1901)
  - 1904 Research on cathode rays (Lenard window) (Nobel prize P. Lenard 1905)
  - 1912 Evidence for cosmic radiation (electrometer)  
(Nobel prize V.F. Hess 1936)
  - 1912 Invention of the cloud chamber  
(Nobel prize C.T.R. Wilson 1927)
  - 1929 Birth of cosmic ray physics  
Observation of high energetic electrons and showers  
(Nobel prize W.W. Bothe 1954 “Coincidence method and discoveries made therewith”)
  - 1931 Lawrence proposal: Cyclotron  
(Nobel prize E.O. Lawrence 1939 “Invention and development of cyclotron . . .”)
  - 1932 Cockroft-Walton linear accelerator for protons  
(Nobel prize Sir J.D. Cockroft u. E. Walton 1951 “Transmutation of atomic nuclei by artificially accelerated atomic particles”)

## Introduction II

- 1933 Discovery of the  $e^+$ , confirmation of development of electromagnetic showers due to  $e^+ - e^-$  production  
(Nobel prize P.M.S. Blackett 1948 “Development of Wilson cloud chamber method and his discoveries therewith” )
- 1934 First evidence for Cherenkov radiation  
(Nobel prize P. Cherenkov, I. Frank, I. Tamm 1958 “Discovery and interpretation of the Cherenkov effect” )
- 1939 First measurements of the proton magnetic moment  
(Nobel prize O. Stern 1943 “His contribution to the development of the molecular ray method . . .” )
- 1943 Fermis first reactor
- 1947 Confirmation of  $\pi^-$   
(Nobel prize C.F. Powell 1950 “His development of the photographic method and . . .” )
- 1953 First observations of charged particle tracks in a bubble chamber  
(Nobel prize D.A. Glaser 1960 “For his invention of the bubble chamber” )
- 1959 Proposal for an experiment to distinguish  $\nu_e$  and  $\nu_\mu$
- 1960 Realisation of neutrino beams at accelerators  
(Nobel prize L. Lederman, M. Schwartz, J. Steinberger 1988 “for the neutrino beam method and . . .” )
- 1960 First evidence for  $\Sigma(1385)$
- 1961 First evidence for  $\omega$ -meson  
(Nobel prize L. Alvarez 1968 “ . . . discovery of a large number of resonance states made possible through his development of the hydrogen bubble chamber technique . . .” )

## Introduction III

- 1968 Invention of the Multiwire Proportional Chamber (MPC)  
(Nobel prize G. Charpak 1992 “for his invention and development of particle detectors, in particular the multiwire proportional chamber”)
- 1983 First evidence for intermediate vector bosons  $W^+$ ,  $W^-$ ,  $Z^0$   
(Nobel prize C. Rubbia 1984, co-awardee S. van de Meer “stochastic cooling of proton beam ...”)
- 1986 Precision measurement of  $g - 2$  of the electron  
(Nobel prize H. Dehmelt and W. Paul 1989 “for the development of ion trap technique ...”)
- 1986 Neutrino oscillations in solar and atmospheric neutrinos  
(Nobel prize R. Davies and T. Koshiya 2002 “... development of neutrino detection techniques”)
- 1989-2000 precision measurements at LEP test QCD and establish the precise form of asymptotic freedom  
(Nobel prize D.J. Gross, H.D. Politzer, F. Wilczek “for the discovery of asymptotic freedom ...”)
- 1995 Discovery of the top quark by D0 and CDF, first  $\bar{p}p$  collisions at  $\sqrt{s} = 1.8$  TeV at the Tevatron in 1986
- 2013 Discovery of a Higgs boson by ATLAS and CMS, first  $pp$  collisions at  $\sqrt{s} = 7$  TeV at the LHC 2010  
(Nobel prize P. Higgs and F. Englert 2013 “for the theoretical discovery of a mechanism ... recently confirmed through the discovery of the predicted fundamental particle ...”)

## Units I

## HEP and SI Units

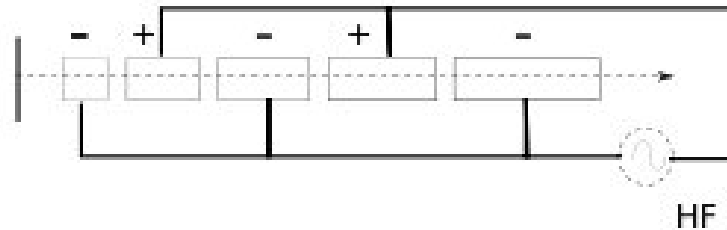
Quantity	HEP units	SI Units
length	1 fm	$10^{-15}$ m
energy	1 GeV	$1.602 \cdot 10^{-10}$ J
mass	1 GeV/c <sup>2</sup>	$1.78 \cdot 10^{-27}$ kg
$\hbar = \hbar/2$	$6.588 \cdot 10^{-25}$ GeV s	$1.055 \cdot 10^{-34}$ J s
c	$2.988 \cdot 10^{23}$ fm/s	$2.988 \cdot 10^8$ m/s
$\hbar c$	0.1973 GeV fm	$3.162 \cdot 10^{-26}$ J m

Natural units ( $\hbar = c = 1$ )	
mass	1 GeV
length	$1 \text{ GeV}^{-1} = 0.1973 \text{ fm}$
time	$1 \text{ GeV}^{-1} = 6.59 \cdot 10^{-25} \text{ s}$

# 1.1 Beams I

- Non-controlled collisions: Cosmic radiation, beam energy and particle type cannot be controlled, many discoveries, **extremely** high energies
- Controlled experiments: particle accelerator - charged particle traverses potential difference
  - Particle traverses many successive potential differences  
LINAC - Linear accelerator



RF cavity resonators , typically 8 MV/m

future: e.g. ILC > 35 MV/m

The particles surf on the wavecrest through the cavities, scalable to very high energies, high cost due to length ...

- Particle traverses the same potential difference many times  
circular accelerator (cyclotron, synchrotron)  
again acceleration in RF cavities, magnetic field keeps particles on **circular orbit**  
cyclotron condition :

$$p = eBR$$

$$p(\text{GeV}/c) = 0.3 \cdot B(T)R(m)$$

# 1.1 Beams II

conventional coils:		1.5 T
superconducting:	Tevatron	5 T
	LHC:	10 T

The particle loses energy by synchrotron radiation, the radiated power:

$$P = \frac{2e^2 c}{3R^2} \frac{\beta^4}{(1 - \beta^2)^2} \xrightarrow{(\beta \rightarrow 1)} \frac{2e^2 c \gamma^4}{3R^2}$$

radiated energy per **turn**

$$\Delta E = \frac{4\pi}{3} \frac{e^2 \gamma^4}{R}$$

e.g.: LEP  $R = 4.3$  km,  $E = 100$  GeV,  $m_0 = 0.5$  MeV,  $\gamma = 2 \cdot 10^5 \rightarrow \Delta E = 2.24$  GeV of 100 GeV

LEP maybe the last circular accelerator for electrons?

for protons, synchrotron radiation so far comparatively irrelevant

LHC in the LEP tunnel:  $E = 7$  TeV,  $\gamma = 7 \cdot 10^3 \rightarrow \Delta E = 3.4$  keV

- Beam hits stationary target “fixed target experiments”

$$p + p \rightarrow X \quad \sqrt{s} = m_p \sqrt{2 + 2\gamma_p}$$

but high luminosity

e.g.: in 1 m liquid hydrogen, beam  $10^{12}$  /s  $\mathcal{L} = 2 \cdot 10^{36}$  /cm<sup>2</sup> s



# 1.1 Beams III

- Colliding beams “collider experiments”: high energies  $\sqrt{s} = 2m_p\gamma_p$   
comparatively low luminosity  
e.g.:  $10^{10}$  particles per bunch, 20 bunches per orbit, revolution frequency 1 MHz,  
beam size  $10^{-2}$  cm<sup>2</sup>

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{10^6 \cdot 20 \cdot 10^{20}}{10^{-2} \text{cm}^2 \cdot \text{s}} = 2 \cdot 10^{29} / \text{cm}^2 \text{s} \quad \text{LHC} : 10^{34} / \text{cm}^2 \text{s}$$

**Reaction rate:**

$$R = \sigma \cdot \mathcal{L}$$

typical largest cross section → total inelastic cross section

$$p + p \quad \text{at } \sqrt{s} = 10 \text{ (7000) GeV, } \sigma_{\text{incl}} = 30 \text{ (60) mb}$$

$$1 \text{ mb} = 1 \text{ millibarn} = 10^{-24} \text{ cm}^2 \cdot 10^{-3}$$

$$\text{inelastic rate typical “fixed target” experiment: } R = 3 \cdot 10^{-26} \text{ cm}^2 \cdot 2 \cdot 10^{36} / \text{cm}^2 \text{ s} \approx 6 \cdot 10^{10} / \text{s}$$

$$\text{inelastic rate for pp collider: } R = 3 \cdot 10^{-26} \text{ cm}^2 \cdot 2 \cdot 10^{29} / \text{cm}^2 \text{ s} \approx 6 \cdot 10^3 / \text{s}$$

Usually much smaller cross sections are investigated: nb, pb, ...

→ 1 pb: 2 Hz for fixed target

→  $2/10^7$  s (i.e. one year) for traditional colliders but 1/100 s (LHC)

# Criteria for the beam energy

- **Reaction rate**, especially the importance of a threshold

$$e^+ e^- \rightarrow Z^0 + \text{Higgs} \quad \sqrt{s} \geq m_{Z^0} + m_{\text{Higgs}}$$

at LEP  $\quad \sqrt{s} = 208 \text{ GeV} \rightarrow m_{\text{Higgs}} \leq 116 \text{ GeV}$

- **Resolution** of structures  
object of the dimensions  $\Delta x$  **can be resolved** with the wavelength

$$\bar{\lambda} = \frac{\hbar c}{pc} \leq \Delta x \quad \text{or} \quad pc \geq \frac{\hbar c}{\Delta x}$$

$$\text{Tevatron} \quad p \approx 1 \text{ TeV} \quad \Delta x \approx 10^{-16} \text{ cm}$$

$$\text{LHC} \quad p \approx 10 \text{ TeV} \quad \Delta x \approx 10^{-17} \text{ cm}$$

**$e^+e^-$  Colliders**

Energy of elementary interaction known

$$\sqrt{\hat{s}} = E(e^-) + E(e^+) = \sqrt{s}$$

Only two elementary particles collide

→ clean final states

Mainly EW processes

$\sqrt{s}$  limited by  $e^\pm$  synchrotron radiation:

$$E_{\text{loss}} \sim \frac{E_{\text{beam}}^4}{R} \frac{1}{m_e^4}$$

$$E_{\text{loss}} \sim 2.5 \text{ GeV/turn}$$

LEP 2 ( $E_{\text{beam}} \sim 100 \text{ GeV}$ )

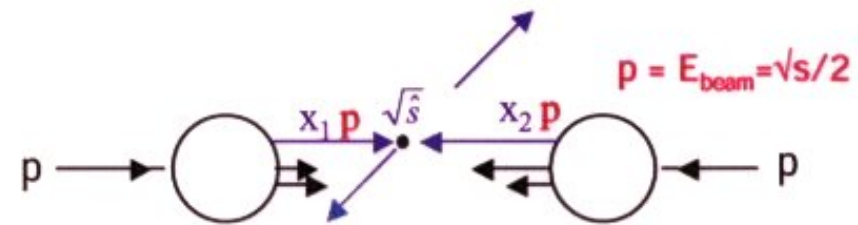
- high energy more difficult

→ next machine: Linear Collider

(ILC, CLIC,  $\sqrt{s} = 800(3000?) \text{ GeV}$ )

- clean environment → precision

measurement machines

 **$pp/p\bar{p}$  Colliders**

Energy of elementary interaction not known

$$\sqrt{\hat{s}} = \sqrt{x_1 x_2 s} < \sqrt{s}$$

Elementary interaction (hard) + interaction of  
“spectator”  $q, g$  (soft) overlapp in detector

EW processes suffer from huge backgrounds  
from strong processes

Synchrotron radiation is  $\sim (m_p/m_e)^4 \sim 10^{13}$

smaller

- high energy easier → discovery machines

current machine: LHC,  $pp$ ,  $\sqrt{s} = 14 \text{ TeV}$   
in the LEP ring

more “dirty” environment, but increasingly

also precision measurements

# Electron Colliders Important for Testing Standard Model and Physics Beyond

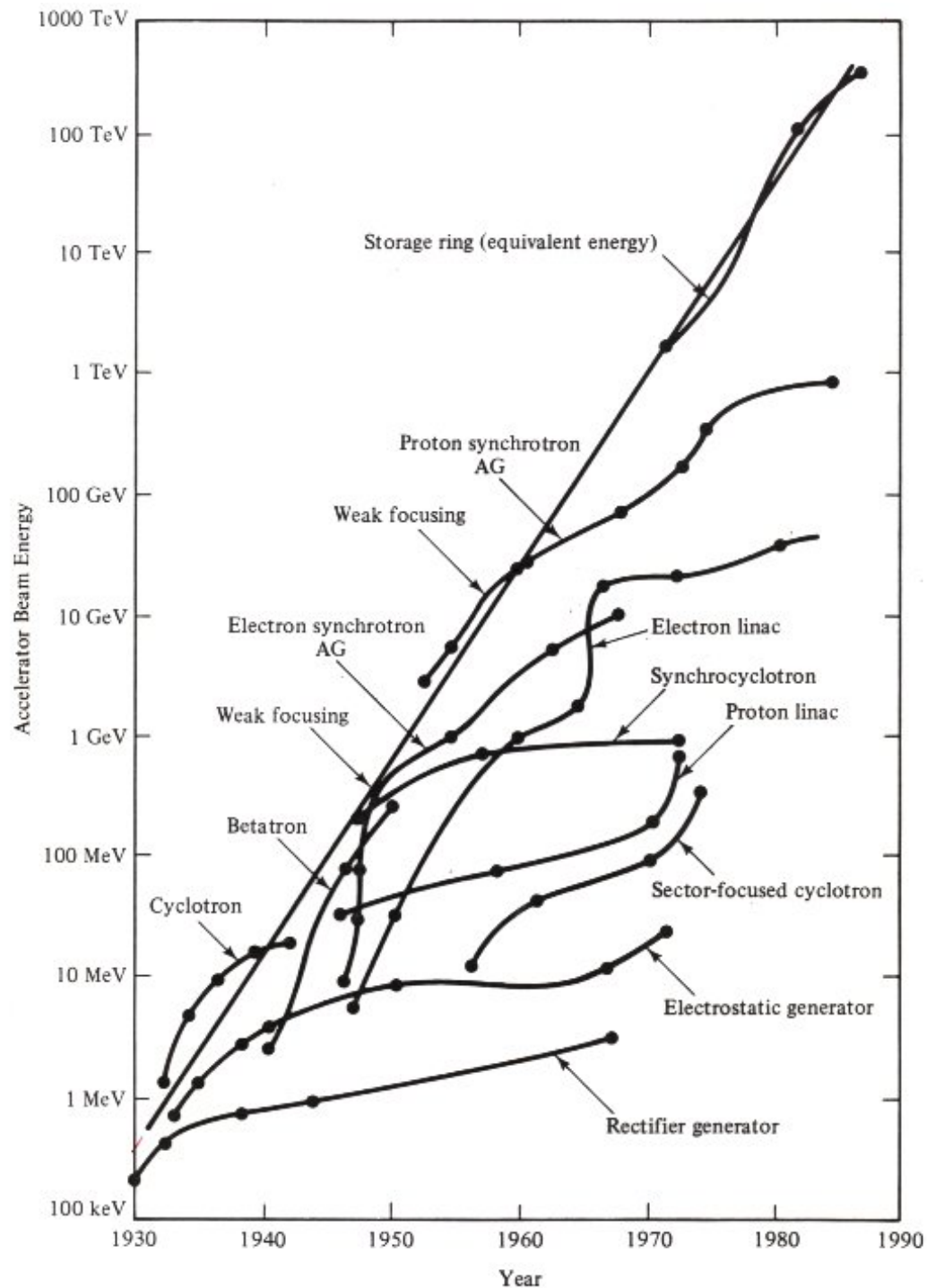
	where	start	end	energy (GeV)	length/ circumf. (km)	most relevant physics
Petra	DESY	1978	1986	23.5 + 23.5	2.3	discovery of gluons
CESR	Cornell/ USA	1979	...	6 + 6	0.77	spectroscopy hadrons with b and c quarks
PEP	Stanford/ USA	1980	1990	15 + 15	2.2	top search, indirect W/Z hint
Tristan	KEK/ Japan	1987	1995	32 + 32	3	top search
LEP	CERN	1989	2000	105 + 105	26.7	precision test of standard model
SLC	Stanford/ USA	1989	1998	50 + 50	1.45 + 1.46	precision test of standard model
PEP II	Stanford/ USA	1999	2008	9 + 3.1	2.2	CP violation in B
KEK-B	KEK/ Japan	1999	2010	8 + 3.5	3	CP violation in B

# Hadron Colliders Important for Testing Standard Model and Physics Beyond

	where	Beam	start	end	energy (TeV)	length/ circumf. (km)	most relevant physics
Sp $\bar{p}$ S	CERN	p $\bar{p}$	1981	1990	0.45 + 0.45	6.9	W,Z bosons
Tevatron	Fermilab/ USA	p $\bar{p}$	1987	2011	0.9 + 0.9	6.3	top quark
SSC	Texas/ USA	pp	1996??		20 + 20	83.6	abandoned in 94
HERA	DESY	ep	1992	2007	0.03(e) + 0.92(p)	6.3	precise nucleon structure
RHIC	BNL/ USA	AuAu	2000	...	19.7 + 19.7	3.8	Quark-Gluon plasma
		pp			0.25 + 0.25		
LHC	CERN	pp	2009	...	7 + 7	26.7	Higgs, SUSY? ...
		PbPb			562 + 562		Quark-gluon plasma

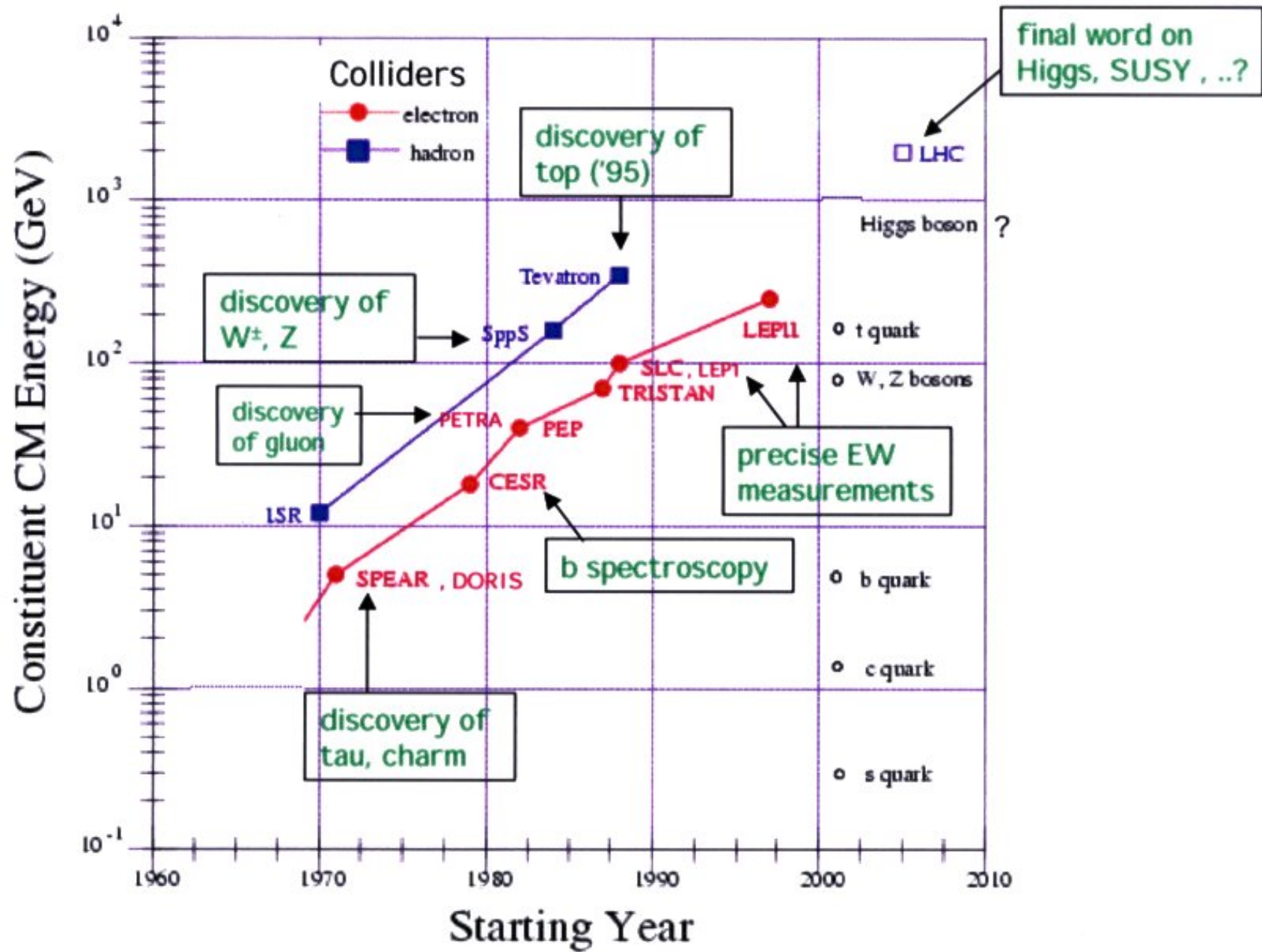
# Sources of Neutrinos Important for Testing Standard Model and Physics Beyond

source	reaction	energy range	type
solar	fusion reactions	typically below 20 MeV	$\nu_e$
reactor	$\beta$ -decay after fission	up to few MeV	$\nu_e$
atmosphere	$\pi$ - and $\mu$ -decay	GeV	$\nu_\mu$ and $\nu_e$
accelerators	$\mu$ -decay	up to 100 GeV	$\nu_\mu$



Energy growth of accelerators and storage rings. This plot, an updated version of M. Stanley Livingston's original, shows an energy increase by a factor of ten every seven years. Note how a new technology for acceleration has, so far, always appeared whenever the previous technology has reached its saturation energy. [From W. K. H. Panofsky, *Phys. Today* 33, 24 (June 1980)]

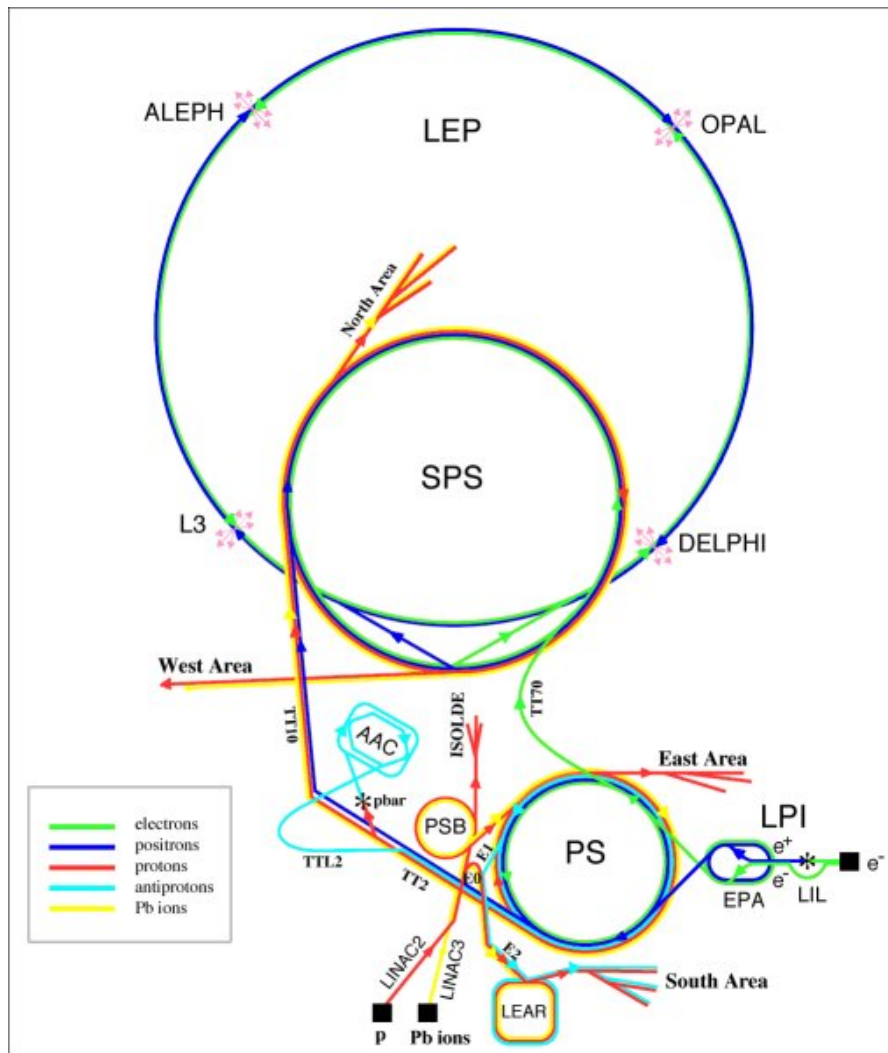
Increase: factor 10 every 7 years.



Simplified and non-exhaustive summary of SM tests at Colliders



# LEP: Large Electron Positron Collider



The LEP Storage Ring

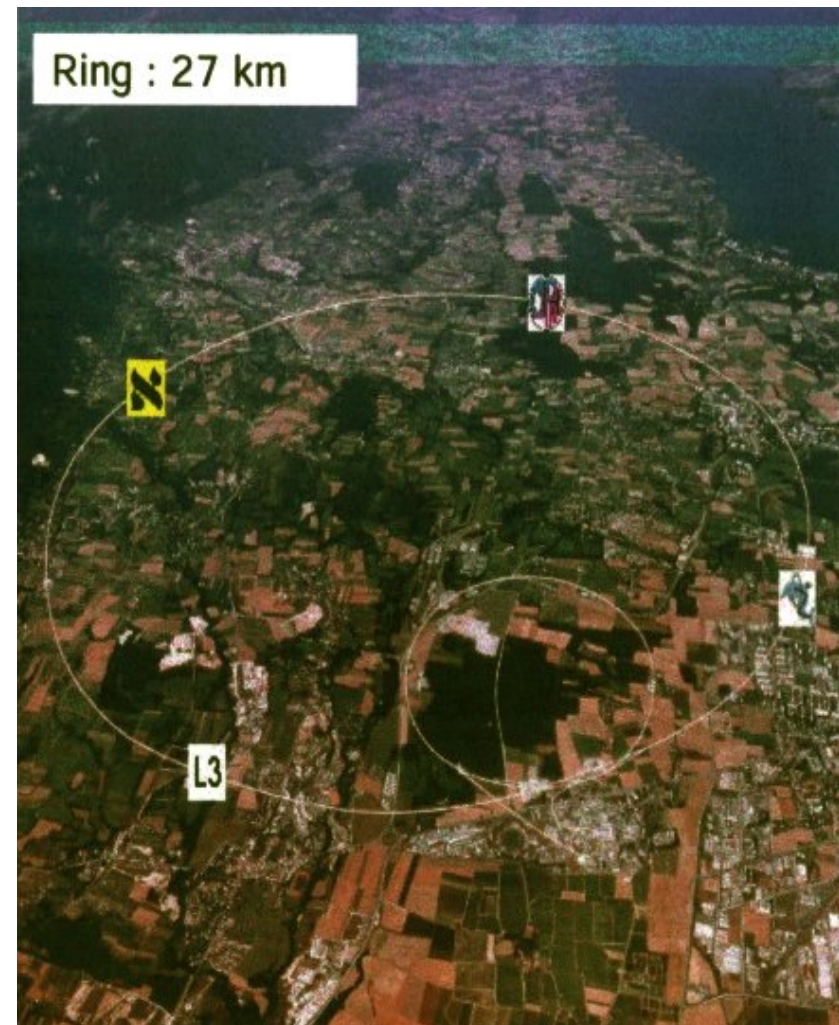
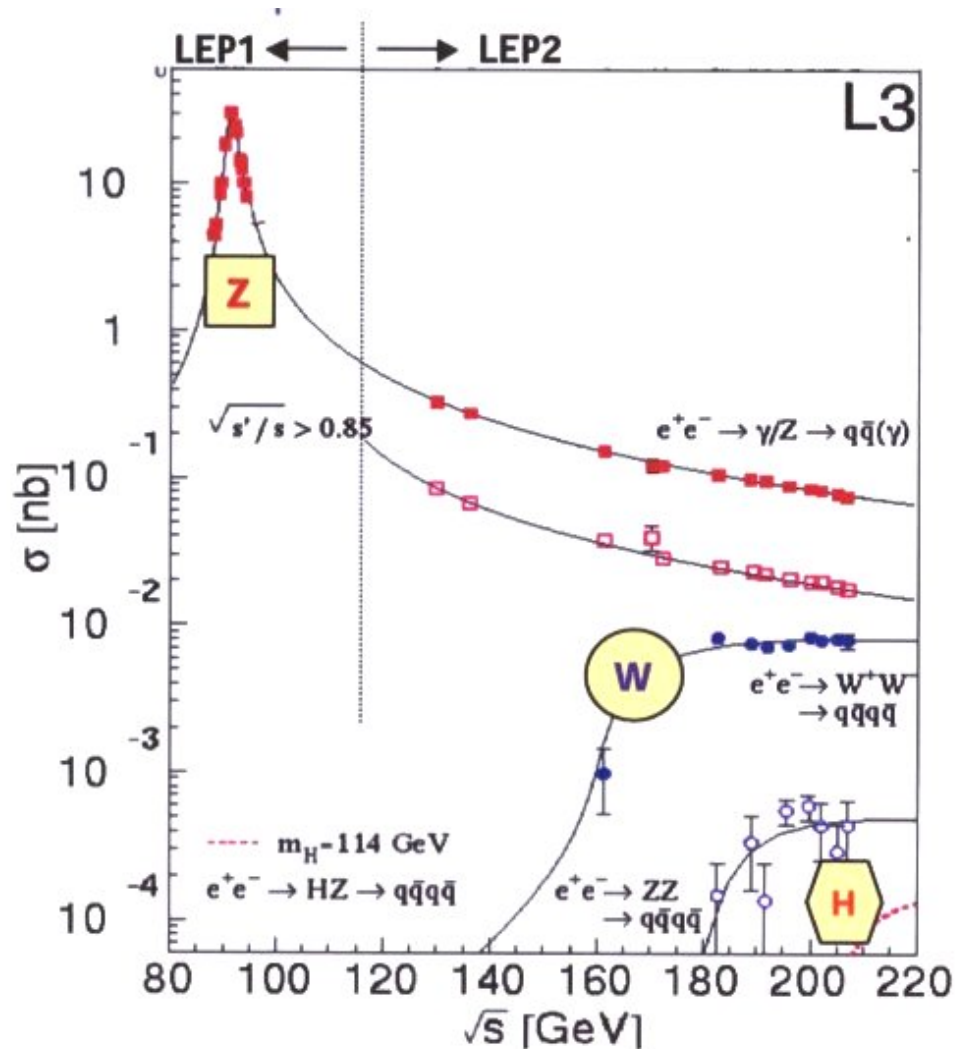
## Some characteristic parameters

Parameter	Value
circumference	26658.88 m
magnetic radius	3096 m
revolution frequency	11245.5 Hz
RF frequency	352 MHz
injection energy	$\approx 20$ GeV
achieved peak energy per beam	104.5 GeV
achieved peak luminosity	$4 \text{ pb}^{-1} / \text{day}$
number of bunches	4, 8 or 12
typical current/ bunch	0.75 mA

# LEP: $e^+e^-$ Collider at CERN

LEP1 (1989-1995) :  $\sqrt{s} \approx m_Z \rightarrow 2 \cdot 10^7$  Z recorded  $\rightarrow$  precise Z measurements

LEP2 (1996-2000) :  $\sqrt{s} \rightarrow 209$  GeV  $\rightarrow$  WW production,  $m_W$ , search for Higgs and new particles

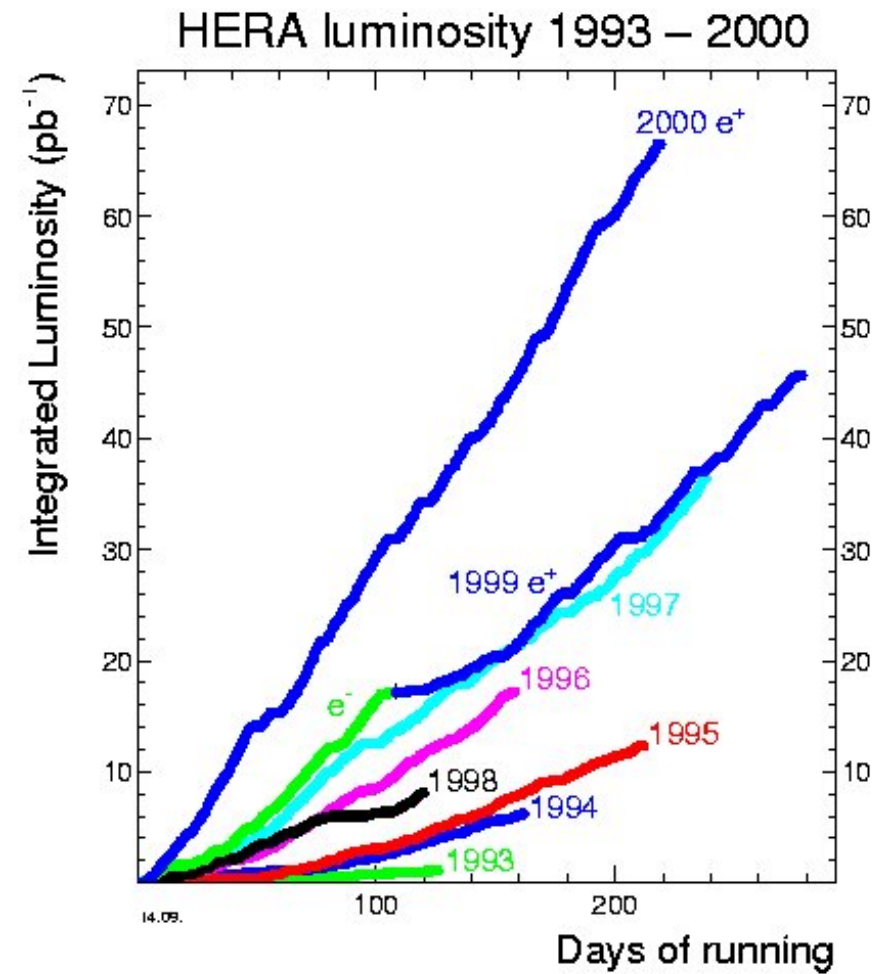
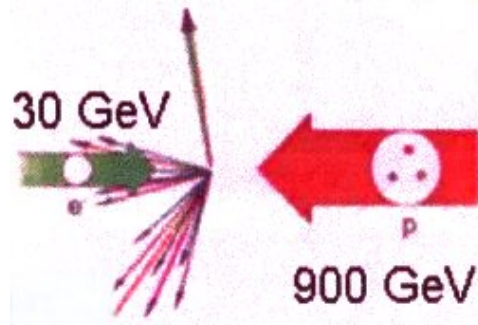


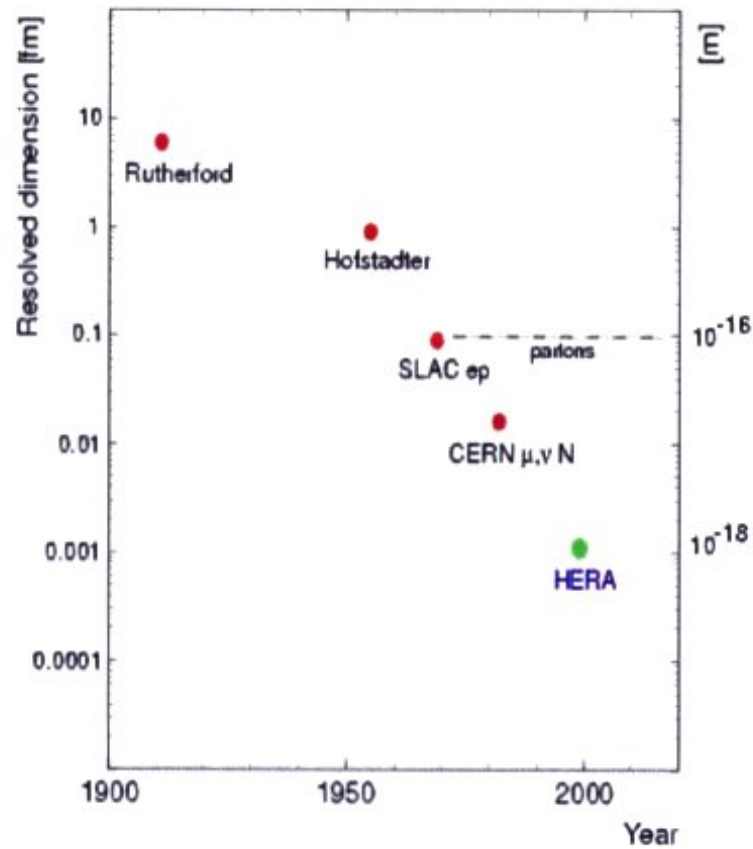
# HERA: ep collider at DESY

ep collisions allow to probe efficiently the proton structure, distribution of quarks and gluons, are quarks elementary?

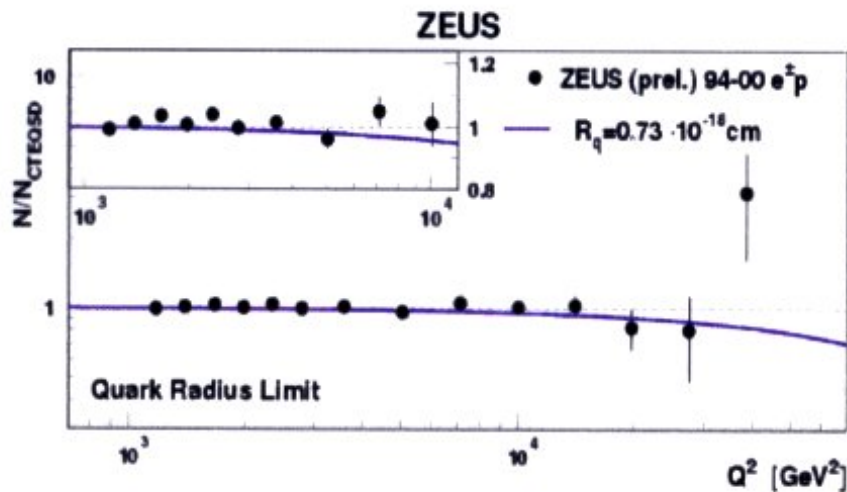
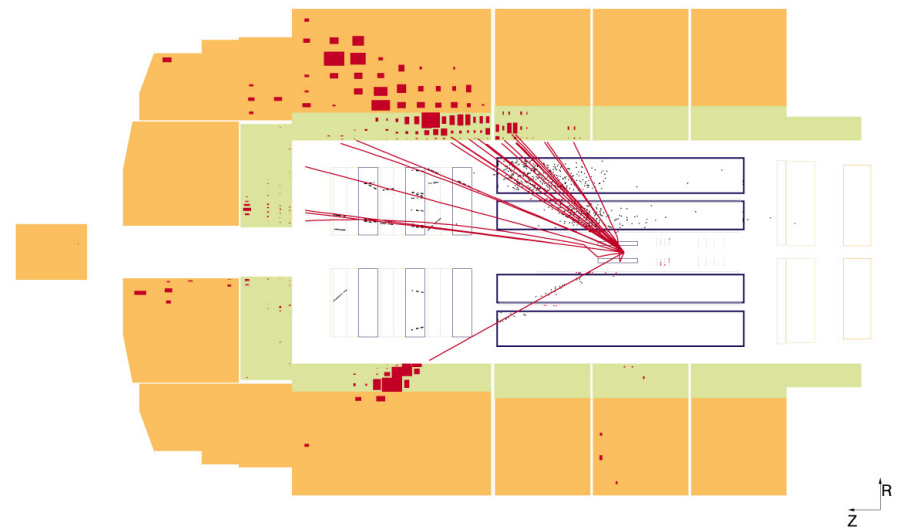
1994-2000  $\sim 0.1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  per experiment

2002-2006  $\sim 1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  per experiment





QCD with elementary quarks describes the scattering up to the highest accessible  $Q^2$



# the Tevatron: $\bar{p}p$ Collider at Fermilab



$$R \sim 6.5 \text{ km}$$

$$\sqrt{s} \approx 2 \text{ TeV}$$



Run 1	(1989-1996)	$\approx 200$ top events $\rightarrow$ discovery of top $\approx 80000$ W events, measurement of $m_W$ and $m_{\text{top}}$
Run 2	(2001-2011)	$\geq 100\times$ more data $\rightarrow$ better measurements of $m_W$ and $m_{\text{top}}$ , searches for Higgs and new particles

# LHC: Hadron collider at CERN, startup in 2009



# LHC: Hadron collider at CERN

## LHC machine parameters

circumference	27 km
Bending radius	3 km
Dipole field	8.33 T
Orbit frequency	11 kHz
Bunch spacing	25 ns
Protons/bunch	$10^{11}$
Beam energy	
pp	7 + 7 TeV
PbPb	2.7 + 2.7 TeV/u
Peak luminosity	
pp	$10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$
PbPb	$10^{27} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$

## 1.2 General demands on particle detectors

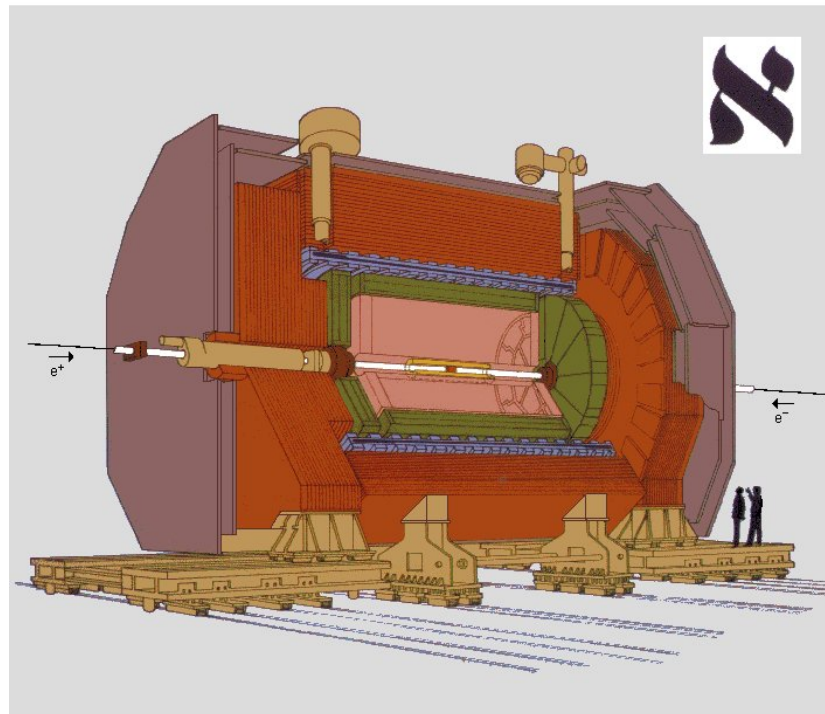
- Particle detection
- Momentum or energy measurement
- Particle identification *electron - pion - kaon ...*
- Reconstruction of the invariant mass of decay products  $m_{\text{inv}}^2 = (\sum_i p_i)^2$ , four-momenta
- “Missing Mass” or “Missing Energy” for undetected particles like neutrinos
- Sensitivity to lifetime or decay length
  - stable particles: protons,  $\tau \geq 10^{32} \text{y}$   
test of stability
  - unstable particles:
    - decay via strong interaction:  $\rho \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-$       $\Gamma = 100 \text{ MeV}$
    - $$\tau c = \frac{\hbar c}{\Gamma} = 2 \text{ fm} \quad \tau \approx 10^{-23} \text{ s}$$
    - decay via electromagnetic interaction:  $\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$       $\tau = 10^{-16} \text{ s}$
  - quasi-stable particles:
    - decay via weak interaction



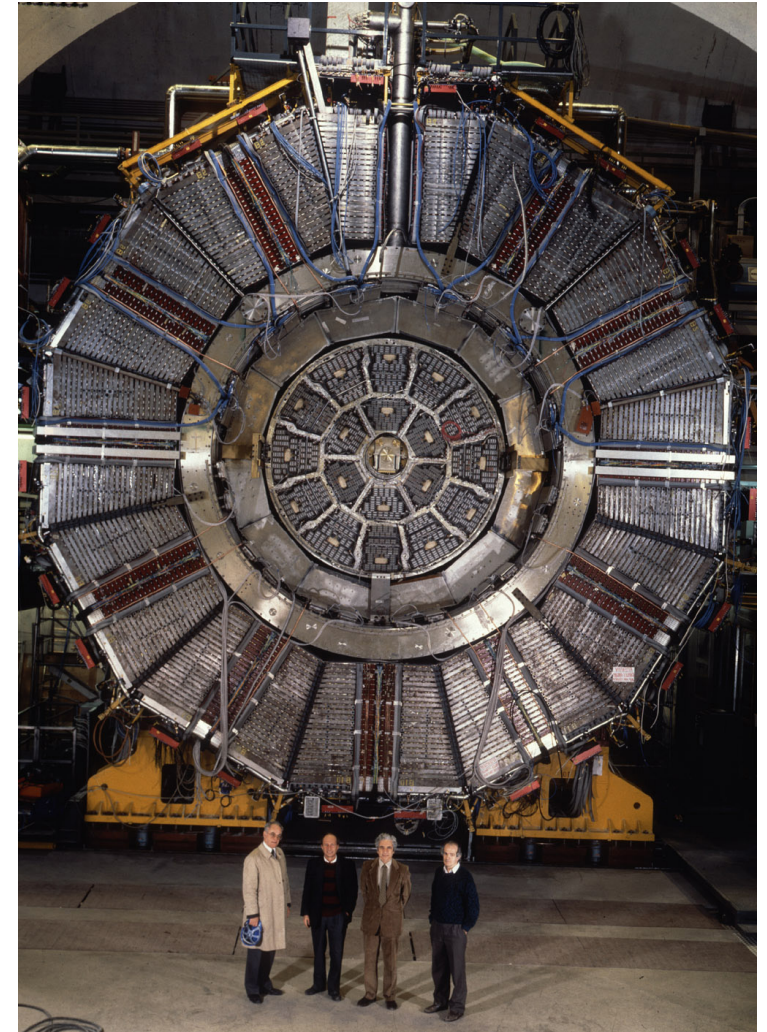
## Some examples for decay length

particle	$\tau$	decay length	
		$c\tau$	$\beta\gamma c\tau$ at $p = 10 \text{ GeV}/c$
n	889 s	$2.7 \cdot 10^8 \text{ km}$	$2.9 \cdot 10^9 \text{ km}$
$\Lambda$	$2.6 \cdot 10^{-10} \text{ s}$	7.9 cm	71 cm
$\pi^\pm$	$2.6 \cdot 10^{-8} \text{ s}$	7.8 m	560 m
$D^\pm$	$10^{-12} \text{ s}$	0.31 mm	1.6 mm
$B^\pm$	$1.6 \cdot 10^{-12} \text{ s}$	0.49 mm	0.93 mm
$\tau$	$3 \cdot 10^{-13} \text{ s}$	0.09 mm	0.5 mm

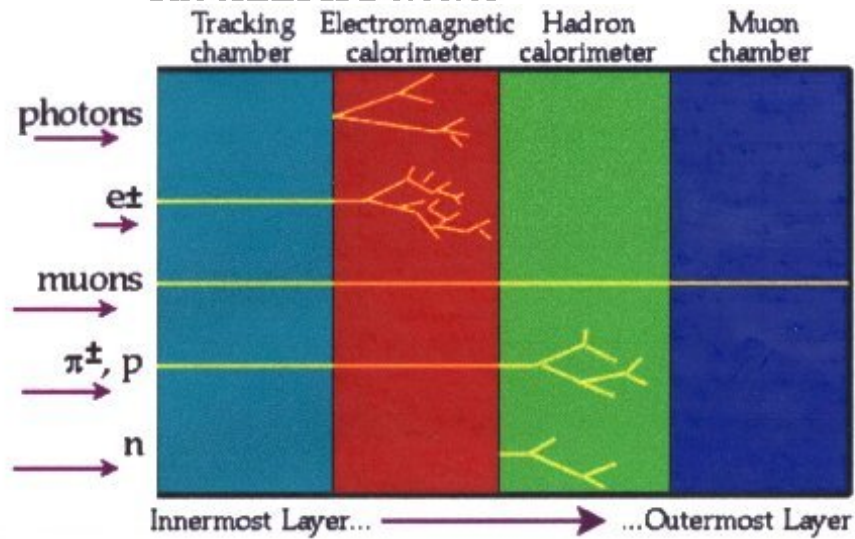
# ALEPH: Apparatus for LEP Physics

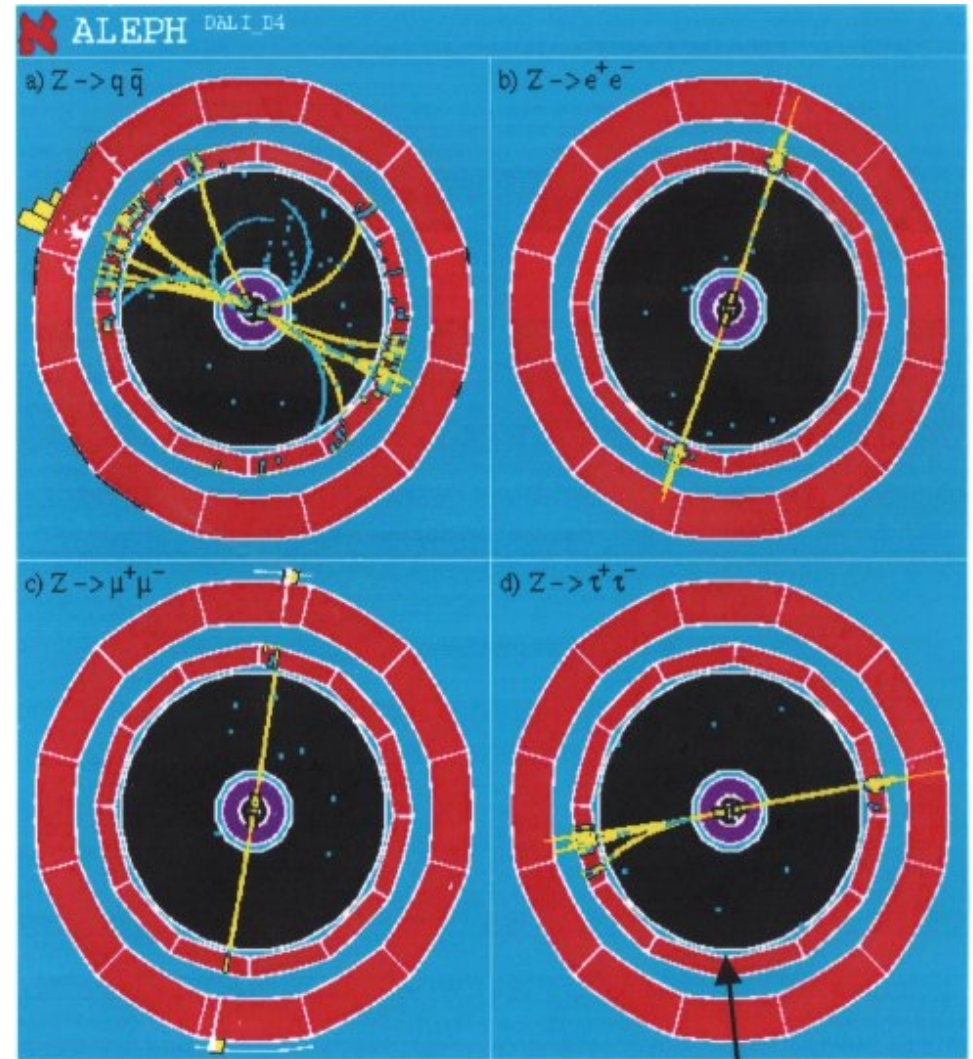
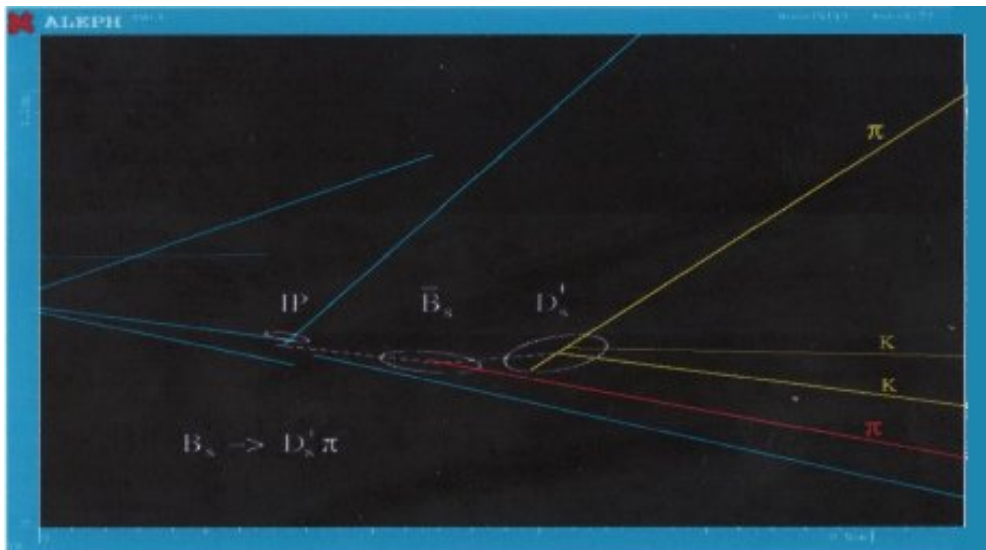
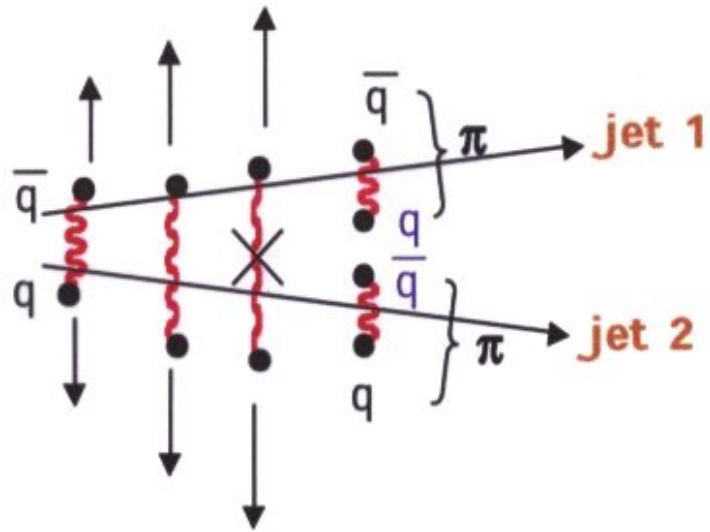


- Vertex Detector
- Inner Tracking Chamber
- Time Projection Chamber
- Electromagnetic Calorimeter
- Superconducting Magnet Coil
- Hadron Calorimeter
- Muon Chambers
- Luminosity Monitors



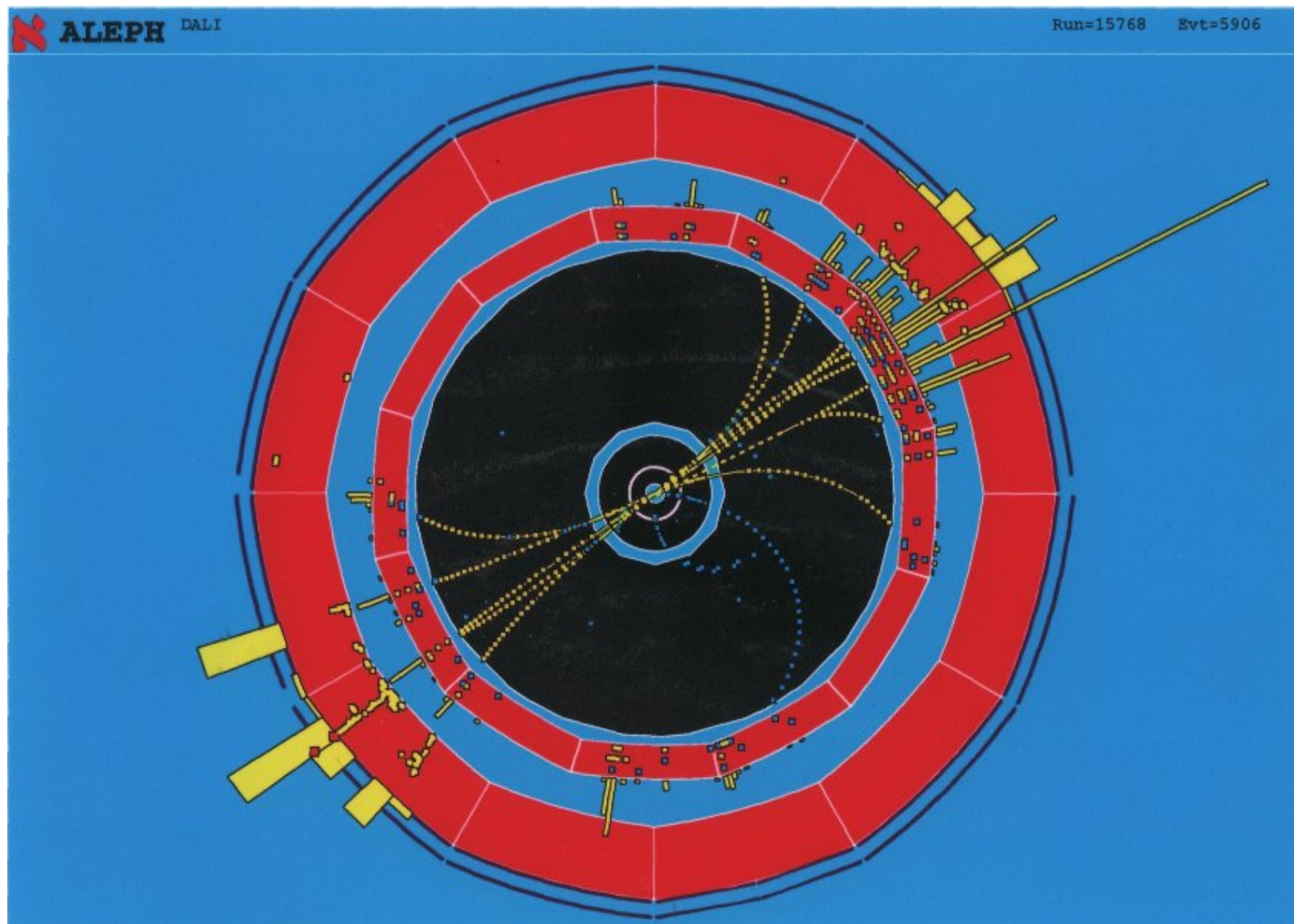
## The ALEPH Detector



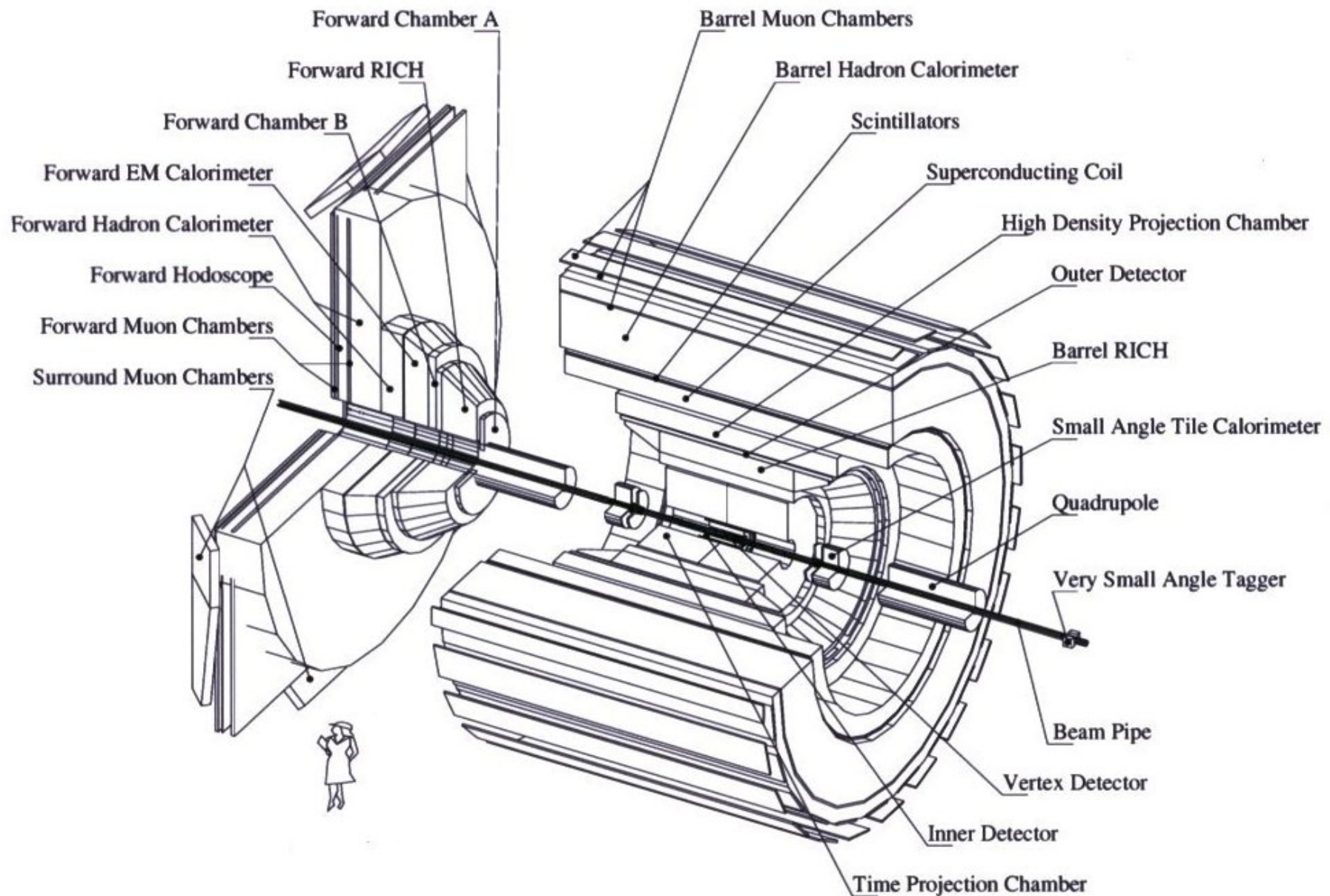


2 jets of hadrons  
 with low multiplicity  
 + missing E carried  
 by neutrinos

# ALEPH: Display of 2 Jet Events

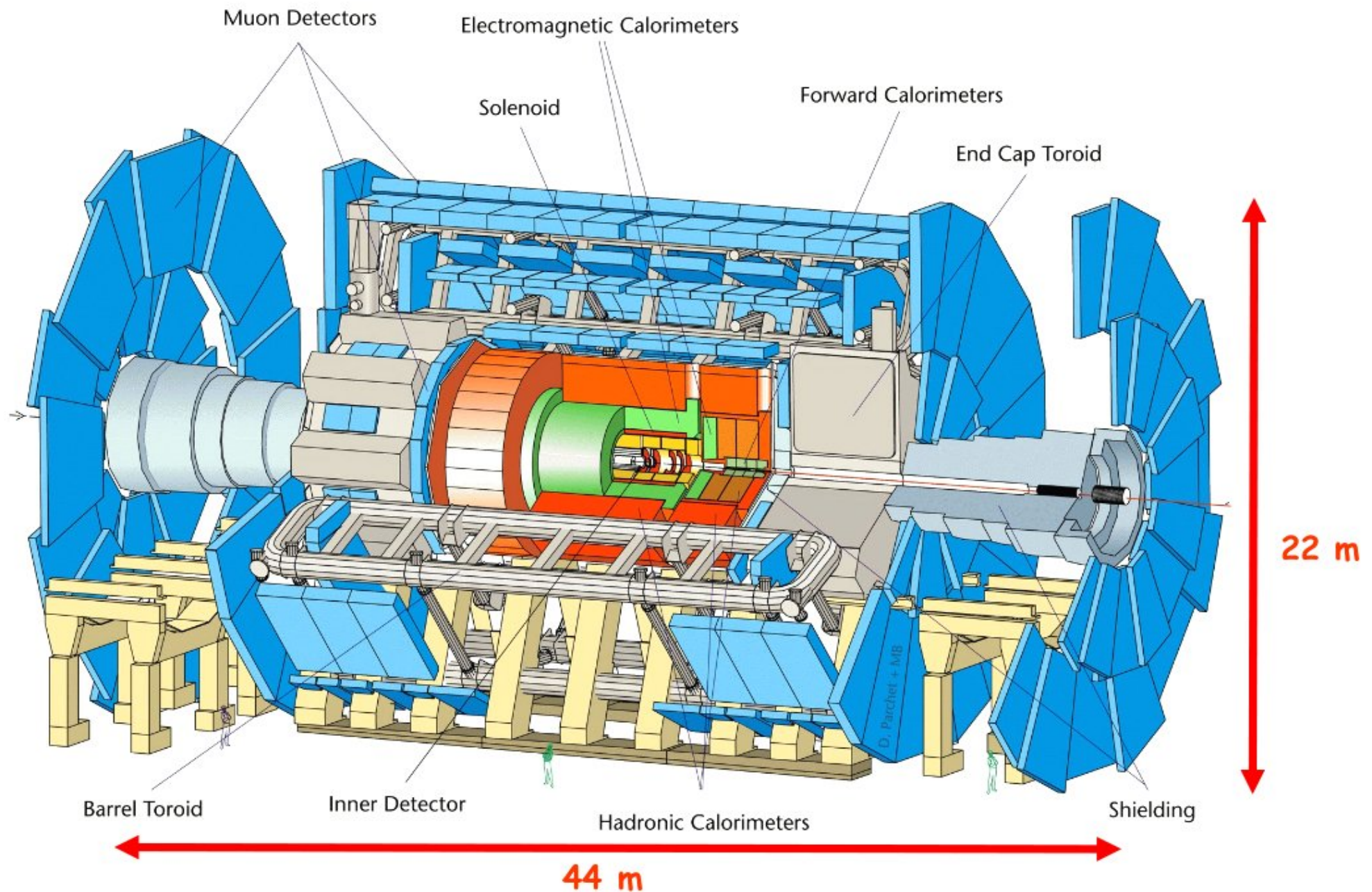


# DELPHI: DEtector with Lepton, Photon and Hadron Identification

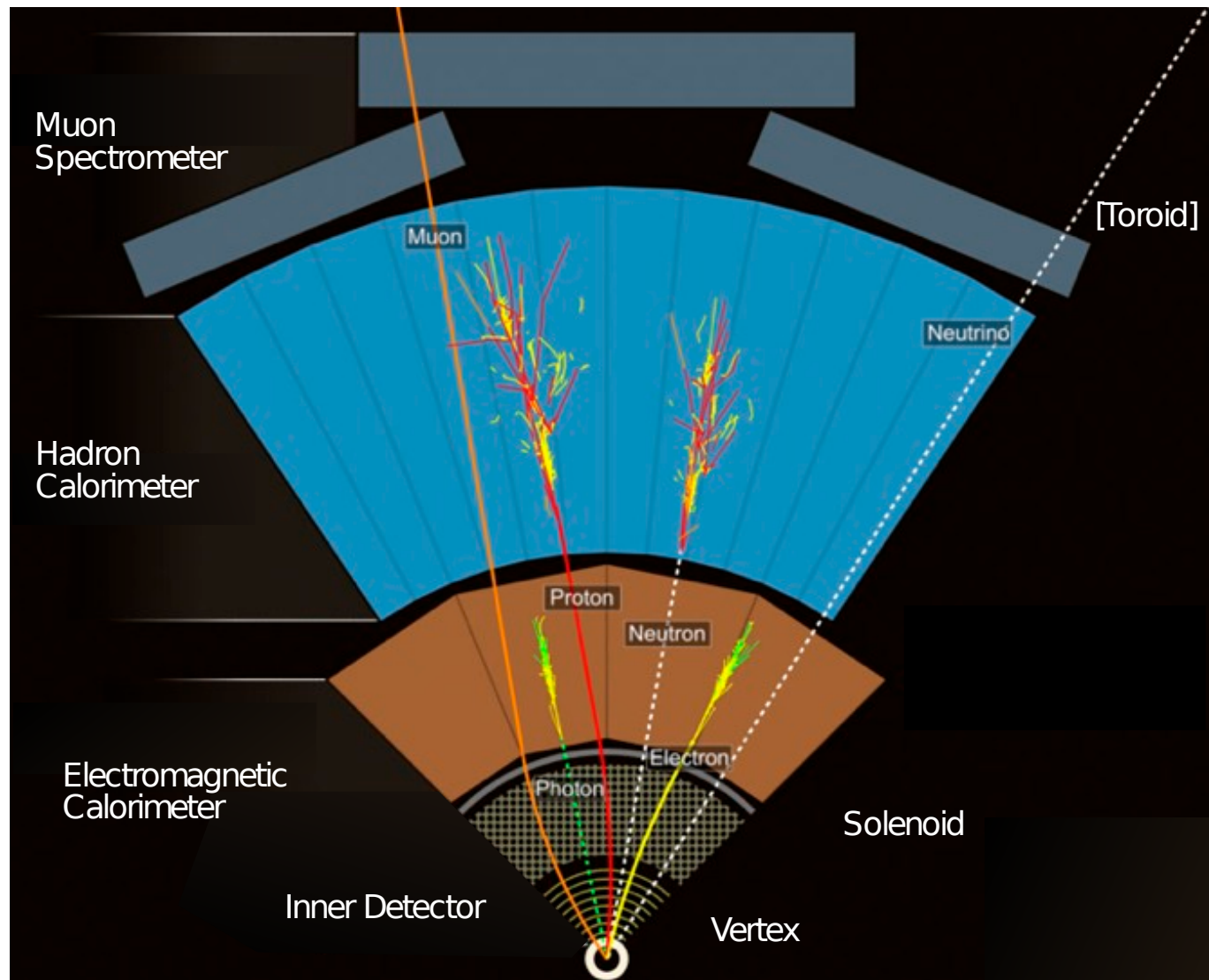


		ALEPH	DELPHI	L3	OPAL
magnet		superconducting	superconducting	normal	normal
fieldstrength		1.5 T	1.23 T	0.5 T	0.435 T
vertexdetector (SS)					
hit resolution	$r\phi$	12 $\mu\text{m}$	8 $\mu\text{m}$	7 $\mu\text{m}$	5 $\mu\text{m}$
	$z$	10 $\mu\text{m}$	9 $\mu\text{m}$	14 $\mu\text{m}$	13 mm
vertex detector					
hit resolution	$r\phi$	150 $\mu\text{m}$	85 $\mu\text{m}$	-	55 $\mu\text{m}$
	$z$	70 mm	-	-	40 mm ( $\Delta T$ ) 0.7 mm (st.)
central detector		TPC	TPC	TEC	jet chamber
hit resolution	$r\phi$	180 $\mu\text{m}$	250 $\mu\text{m}$	50 $\mu\text{m}$	135 $\mu\text{m}$
	$z$	$\sim 1$ mm	0.9 mm	-	45 mm
outer chambers					
hit resolution	$r\phi$	-	110 $\mu\text{m}$	-	15 mm
	$z$	-	35 mm	320 $\mu\text{m}$	300 $\mu\text{m}$
momentum resol.	$\sigma(\frac{1}{p_t})(\text{GeV}/c)^{-1}$	$0.6 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$0.6 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$0.6 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$1.3 \cdot 10^{-3}$
( $\cos \theta \simeq 0$ )				for $\mu^\pm$ only	
electromagnetic calorimeter		lead-prop. tubes	HPC /lead glass	BGO	lead glass
granularity	barrel	$3 \times 3 \text{ cm}^2$	$\sim 2 \times 2 \text{ cm}^2$	$2 \times 2 \text{ cm}^2$	$10 \times 10 \text{ cm}^2$
	endcap	same as barrel	$5 \times 5 \text{ cm}^2$	same as barrel	same as barrel
energy resolution	$\sigma_E/E$	$0.18/\sqrt{E/\text{GeV}}$ $\oplus 0.01$	$0.32/\sqrt{E/\text{GeV}}$ $\oplus 0.04$	$0.02/\sqrt{E/\text{GeV}}$ $\oplus 0.01$	$0.06/\sqrt{E/\text{GeV}}$ $\oplus 0.02$
hadronic energy resolution		$0.85/\sqrt{E/\text{GeV}}$	$1.12/\sqrt{E/\text{GeV}}$ $\oplus 0.21$	10% at 45 GeV	1 (at $<15$ GeV) to $1.2/\sqrt{E/\text{GeV}}$
luminosity detector		Si-W sampling + lead sandwich	lead-scintillating tiles & mask	BGO + Si $r\phi$ strips	Si-W sampling + lead sandwich
fiducial acceptance	inner/outer radius	6.1/14.5 cm	6.5/42.0 cm	7.6/15.4 cm	6.2/14.2 cm
	$\theta_{\min}/\theta_{\max}$	30/48 mrad	44/114 mrad	32/54 mrad	31/52 mrad

# ATLAS: A Toroidal LHC ApparatuS

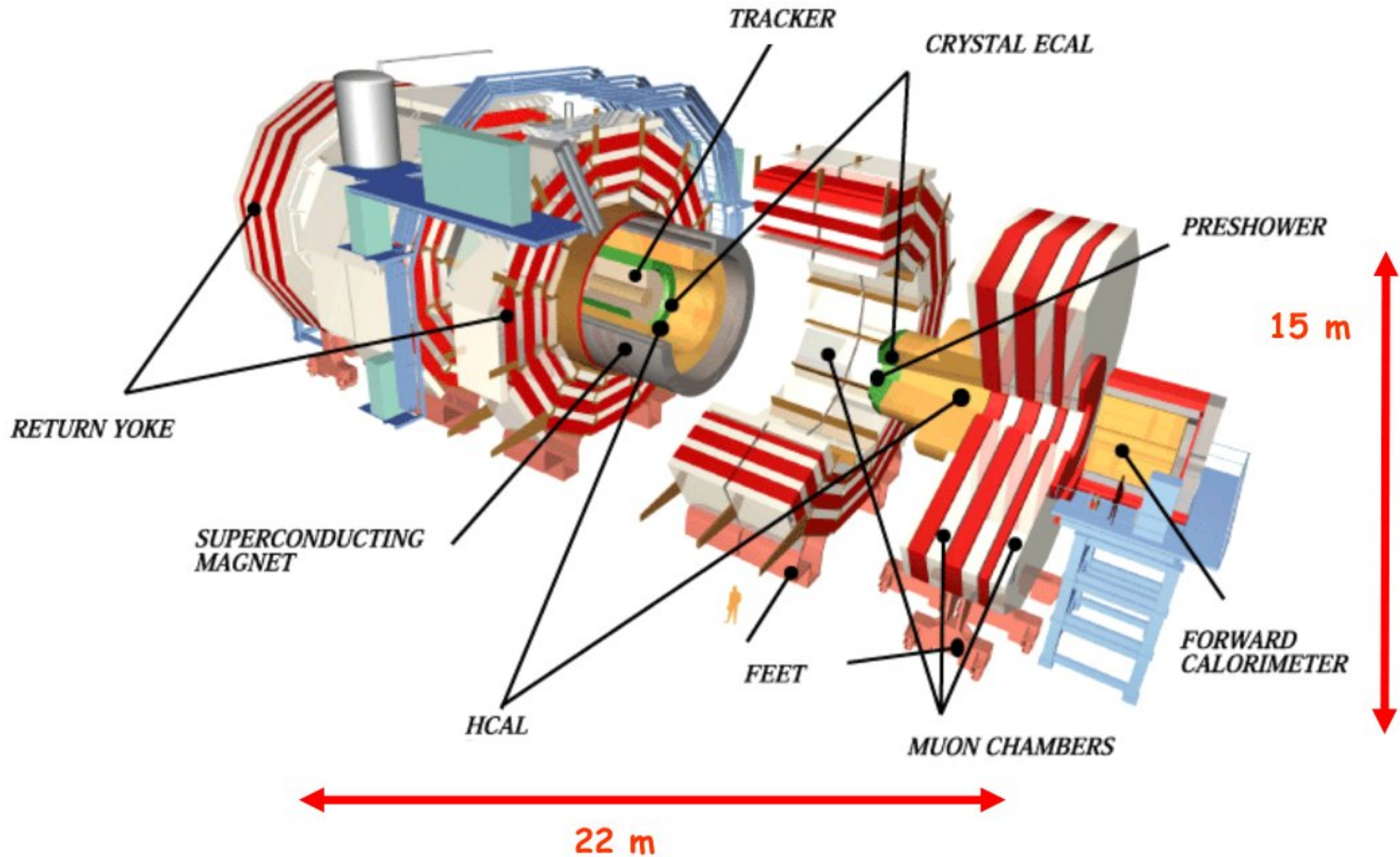


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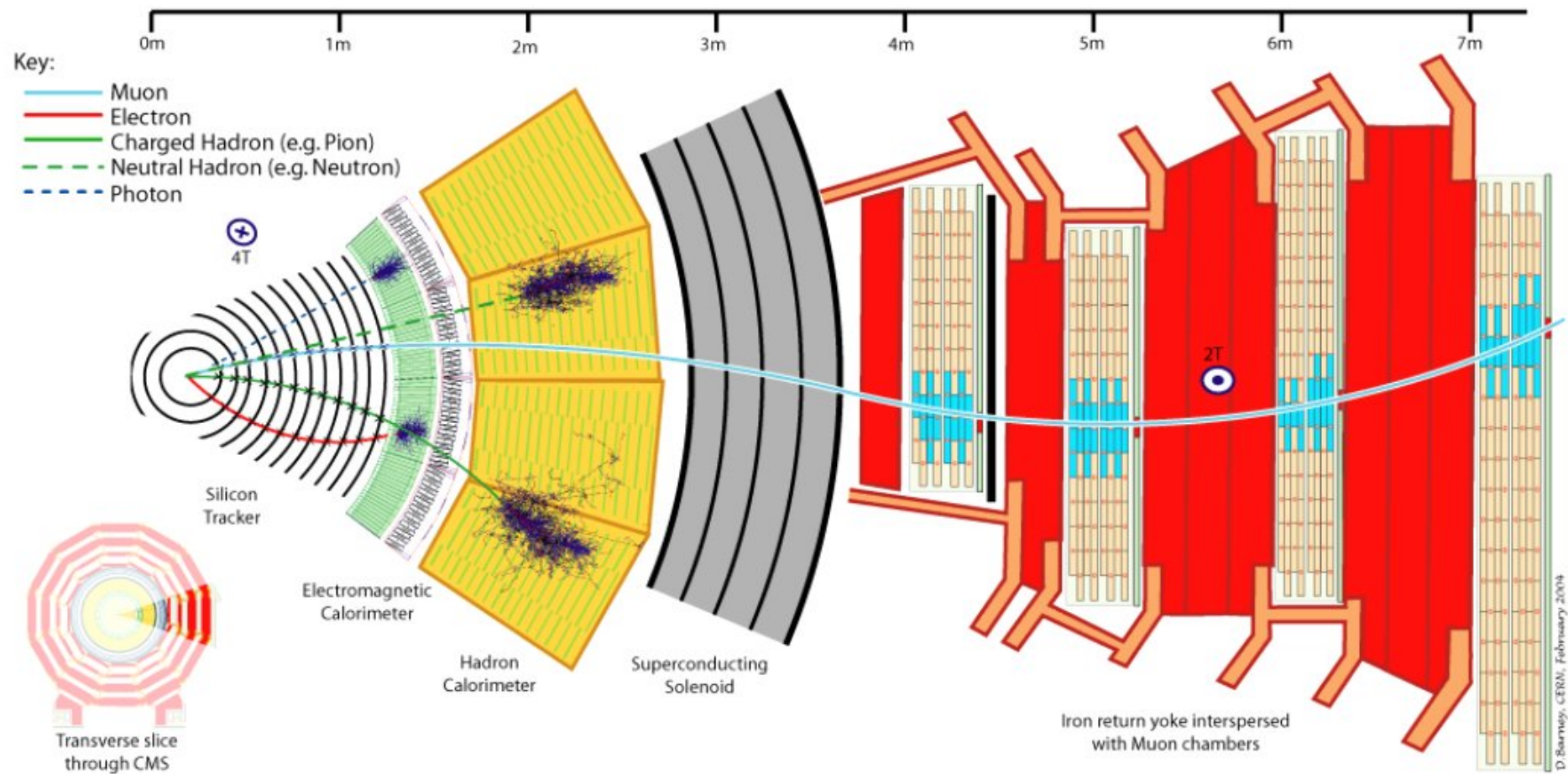




# CMS: Compact Muon Spectrometer



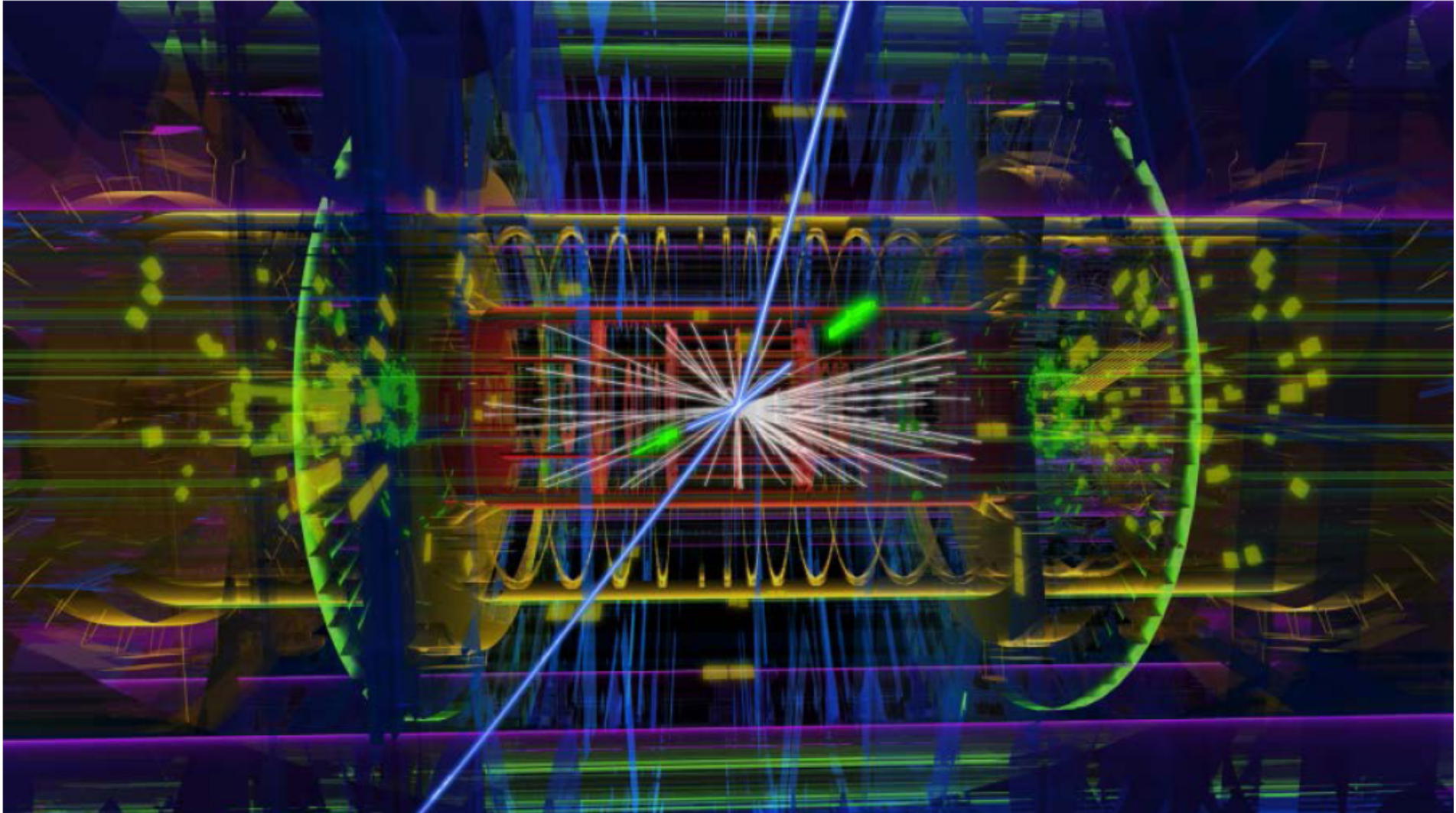
# Slice through CMS



## Higgs discovery

$$H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^- + e^+ e^-$$

ATLAS event display



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